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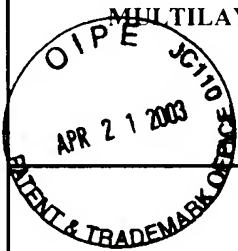
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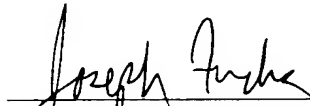
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The identified patents and documents do not suggest or make obvious the claimed invention. Hence, allowance of the pending application is respectfully requested.

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Applicants enclose a check in the amount of \$180 in payment of the fee for submission of an Information Disclosure Statement. Applicants do not believe any additional fee is due in connection with this Information Disclosure Statement, however, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to change any additional fees (or credit any overpayment) to Deposit Account No. 02-1818.

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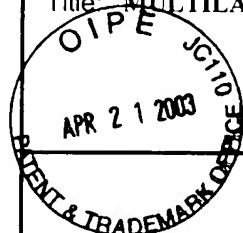
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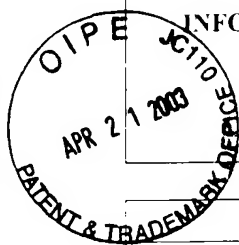
2. ☒ The Information Disclosure Statement submitted herewith is being filed after the period specified in 37 CFR 1.97(b), provided that the Information Disclosure Statement is filed before the mailing date of a Final Action under 37 CFR 1.113, a Notice of Allowance under 37 CFR 1.311, or an Action that otherwise closes prosecution in the application, and is accompanied by one of:

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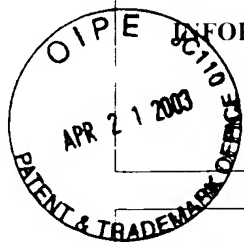
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	3,375,300	Mar., 1968	Ropp			
	3,494,897	Feb., 1970	Reding et al.			
	3,514,359	May., 1970	Frese			
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	3,772,136	Nov., 1973	Workman			
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	4,230,830	Oct., 1980	Tanny et al.			
	4,233,367	Nov., 1980	Ticknor et al.			
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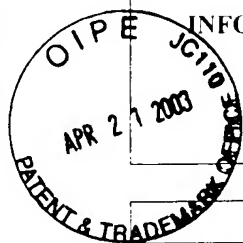


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	4,310,017	Jan., 1982	Raines				
	4,311,807	Jan., 1982	McCullough, Jr. et al.				
	4,322,465	Mar., 1982	Webster				
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	4,327,726	May., 1982	Kwong				
	4,332,655	Jun., 1982	Berejka				
	4,336,352	Jun., 1982	Sakurai et al.				
	4,349,644	Sep., 1982	Iwanami et al.				
	4,350,797	Sep., 1982	Marzola et al.				
	4,355,721	Oct., 1982	Knott, II et al.				
	4,361,628	Nov., 1982	Krueger et al.				
	4,369,812	Jan., 1983	Paradis et al.				
	4,387,184	Jun., 1983	Coquard et al.				
	4,397,916	Aug., 1983	Nagano				
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	4,405,667	Sep., 1983	Christensen et al.				
	4,407,873	Oct., 1983	Christensen et al.				
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	4,417,753	Nov., 1983	Bacehowski et al.				
	4,429,076	Jan., 1984	Saito et al.				
	4,445,550	May., 1984	Davis et al.				
	4,457,960	Jul., 1984	Newsome				
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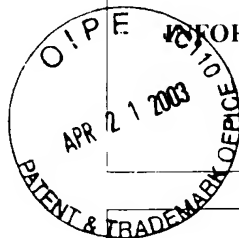
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	4,536,409	Aug., 1985	Farrell et al.			
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	4,548,348	Oct., 1985	Clements			
	4,551,371	Nov., 1985	Eckstein			
	4,552,714	Nov., 1985	Krueger et al.			
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	4,561,110	Dec., 1985	Herbert			
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	4,579,784	Apr., 1986	Lemstra et al.			
	4,588,177	May., 1986	White			
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	4,615,922	Oct., 1986	Newsome et al.			
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	4,627,844	Dec., 1986	Schmitt			
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		4,650,721	Mar , 1987	Ashcraft et al.			
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		4,668,571	May., 1987	Moriarty, Jr.			
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	4,803,102	Feb., 1989	Raniere et al.			
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	4,983,432	Jan , 1991	Bissot			
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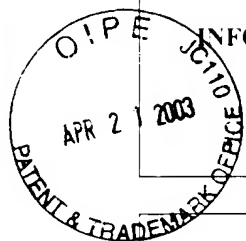
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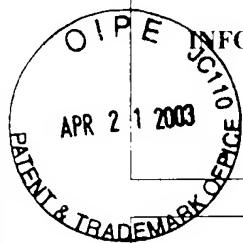
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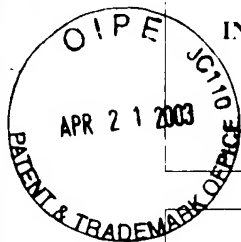
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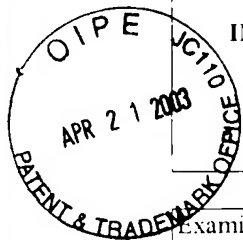
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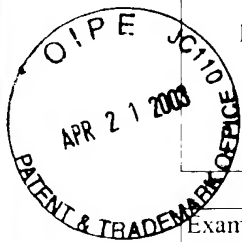
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